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### **Westly Issues Statement on Stem Cell Litigation**

SACRAMENTO – State Controller Steve Westly today issued the following statement on the Attorney General’s brief filed regarding stem cell research on behalf of the State of California. The brief was filed this morning with the California Supreme Court.

“California made a bold statement in approving stem cell research that captured the world's attention. Our leadership has given people who suffer from life-threatening illnesses renewed hope for finding a cure.

“Legal challenges will surely delay this life-saving research. But the longer the court battle, the more we prolong the race to find cures.

“I respectfully ask the Supreme Court to move quickly to resolve the issue.”

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